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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m. and, in accordance with H. Con. Res. 21, adjourned at 6:11 p.m., until 11:30 a.m., on Monday, February 24, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1423.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

COMMODITY EXCHANGE ACT REFORM

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee resumed hearings on S. 257, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to improve the Act by streamlining U.S. futures trading law and conforming it to the changing competitive environment, receiving testimony from Jerry L. Osborne, ConAgra, Omaha, Nebraska, on behalf of the National Grain Trade Council; Ron Warfield, Illinois Farm Bureau, Bloomington, on behalf of the American Farm Bureau Federation; Larry Quandt, Illinois Farmers Union, Mason, on behalf of the National Farmers Union; Kendell W. Keith, National Grain and Feed Association, Micah S. Green, Public Securities Association, on behalf of the Bond Market Trade Association, and Ed Rosen, Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen and Hamilton, on behalf of a coalition of investment and commercial banks, all of Washington, D.C.; Daniel J. Roth, National Futures Association, Laurence E. Mollner, Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc., on behalf of the Futures Industry Association, and Alger B. Chapman, Chicago Board Options Exchange, on behalf of certain securities self-regulatory organizations, all of Chicago, Illinois; Robert G. Easton, Commodities Corporation Limited, Princeton, New Jersey, on behalf of the Managed Futures Association; and Gay H. Evans, Bankers Trust International, on behalf of the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc., and John J. Finigan Jr., Foreign Exchange Committee, both of New York, New York.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

BIENNIAL BUDGETING

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded hearings on S. 261, to provide for a biennial budget process and a biennial appropriations process and to enhance oversight and the performance of the Federal Government, after receiving testimony from Senators Ford and Thomas; Louis Fisher, Senior Specialist, Separation of Powers, Congressional Research Service; John P. McTague, Ford Motor Company, Dearborn, Michigan; and Ronald K. Snell, Denver, Colorado, on behalf of the National Conference of State Legislatures.

AUTHORIZATION—INTERMODAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, receiving testimony from Mortimer L. Downey, Deputy Secretary of Transportation; Andrew H. Card, Jr., American Automobile Manufacturers Association, Washington, D.C.; Darrel Rensink, Iowa Department of Transportation, Des Moines, on behalf of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials; Damian J. Kulash, Eno Transportation Foundation, Inc., Lansdowne, Virginia; and Alan E. Pisarki, Falls Church, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

ADMINISTRATION'S BUDGET

Committee on Finance: Committee continued hearings to examine the Administration's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1998, focusing on spending proposals relating to Medicare, Medicaid and welfare, receiving testimony from Donna E. Shalala, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Committee recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Pete Peterson, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Graham and McCain, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee met and agreed to authorize the issuance of subpoenas on matters relating to the committee's investigation of illegal or improper fund raising and spending practices during the 1996 Federal election campaigns.

CORPORATE SUBSIDY REFORM

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee held hearings on S. 207, to review, reform, and terminate unnecessary and inequitable corporate spending subsidies in the federal budget, receiving testimony from Senators McCain, Kerry, and Feingold; and Thomas A. Schatz, Citizens Against Government Waste, Grover G. Norquist, Americans for Tax Reform, Courtney Cuff, Friends of the Earth, and Dean Stansel, Cato Institute, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

FLEXIBLE WORKPLACE OPTIONS

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Subcommittee on Employment and Training concluded hearings on S. 4, to provide private sector employees the same opportunities for time-and-a-half compensatory time off, biweekly work programs, and flexible credit hour programs to help balance the demands and needs of work and family, and to clarify the provi-

sions relating to exemptions of certain professionals from the minimum wage and overtime requirements of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, after receiving testimony from Senator Ashcroft; Mayor Paul F. Jadin, Green Bay, Wisconsin, on behalf of the United States Conference of Mayors, and Marilyn Richter, Corporation Counsel of the City of New York, New York, both on behalf of the Public Sector FLSA Coalition; James A. Willms, Unicover Corporation, Cheyenne, Wyoming; Donna R. Lenhoff, Women's Legal Defense Fund, Susan M. Eckerly, National Federation of Independent Business, and David M. Silberman, Bredhoff and Kaiser, all of Washington, D.C.; Sandie Moneypenny and Kathleen Fairall, both of the Timken Company, Randleman, North Carolina; William A. Stone, Louisville Plate Glass Company, Louisville, Kentucky, on behalf of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce; and Diana Thompson, Puyallup, Washington.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 64 public bills, H.R. 744–807; 2 private bills, H.R. 808–809; and 23 resolutions, H.J. Res. 54–55, H. Con. Res. 21–23, and H. Res. 56–73, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: One report was filed as follows:

H.R. 668, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reinstate the Airport and Airway Trust Fund excise taxes (H. Rept. 105–5).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, the Rev. Michael Osborne of Ocala, Florida.

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Page Board: The Speaker appointed Representatives Fowler and Kolbe to the House of Representatives Page Board.

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Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts: The Speaker appointed Representatives Gingrich and McDade as members of the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

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Smithsonian Institution: The Speaker appointed Representatives Livingston and Sam Johnson of Texas as members of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

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Holocaust Memorial Council: The Speaker appointed Representatives Gilman, Regula, LaTourette,

and Fox of Pennsylvania to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council.

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United States Air Force Academy: The Speaker appointed Representatives Hefley and Young of Florida as members of the Board of Visitors to the United States Air Force Academy.

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United States Coast Guard Academy: The Speaker appointed Representative Johnson of Connecticut as a member of the Board of Visitors to the United States Coast Guard Academy.

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United States Merchant Marine Academy: The Speaker appointed Representative King as a member of the Board of Visitors to the United States Merchant Marine Academy.

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United States Military Academy: The Speaker appointed Representatives Kelly and Taylor of North Carolina as members of the Board of Visitors to the United States Military Academy.

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United States Naval Academy: The Speaker appointed Representatives Gilchrest and Skeen as members of the Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy.

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American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts: The Speaker appointed Representative Young of Alaska to the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development.

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